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- 1. FOLLOWING ARE SUGGESTED TEXTS FOR A CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT CARTER TO THE WINNER OF AUSTRALIA'S DECEMBER 10 ELECTIONS. EMBASSY WILL ADVISE WASHINGTON AS SOON AS WE CAN CONFIRM WHO THAT WINNER IS. THE RECOMMENDED TEXT IN THIS CABLE IS INTENDED FOR THE PRIME MINISTER; FONMIN PEACOCK IS ALSO STANDING FOR RE-ELECTION AND SHOULD HE WIN, EMBASSY WILL PROVIDE SEPARATELY THE TEXT OF A CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE WHICH MIGHT APPROPRIATELY BE SENT BY SECRETARY VANCE.
- 2. FOLLOWING IS A TEXT FOR PRIME IMINISTER FRASER, SHOULD HE BE RE-ELECTED:

"DEAR MALCOLM:

"YOU HAVE MY HEARTIEST CONGRATULATIONS ON THE LIBERAL/ NATIONAL COUNTRY PARTY COALITION VICTORY ON DECEMBER 10. I LOOK FORWARD TO CONTINUING TO WORK WITH YOU LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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DURING THE REMAINDER OF OUR TERMS OF OFFICE IN SEEKING ACHIEVEMENT OF THE GOALS OUR TWO PEOPLES SHARE -- IN INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC COOPERATION, IN INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATION ON ENERGY MATTERS, IN DEFENSE OF THE BASIC VALUES WHICH OUR ANZUS ALLIANCE REPRESENTS, AND IN THE CAUSE OF HUMAN FREEDOM AND JUSTICE TO WHICH BOTH OUR PEOPLES ARE SO PROFOUNDLY COMMITTED. YOU WERE A

MOST WELCOME RECENT VISITOR IN WASHINGTON, AND I WOULD HOPE TO HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO PAY A RETURN CALL IN THE FUTURE.

"SINCERELY, JIMMY CARTER."

3. FOLLOWING IS THE TEXT FOR MR. WHITLAM, SHOULD HE BE ELECTED:

"DEAR MR. PRIME MINISTER:

"YOU HAVE MY WARMEST CONGRATULATIONS ON THE AUSTRALIAN LABOR PARTY'S VICTORY ON DECEMBER 10. BOTH AMERICANS AS A PEOPLE, AND I IN PARTICULAR, ATTACH GREAT IMPORTANCE TO THE WARM FRIENDSHIP AND CLOSE COOPERATION WHICH HAVE CHARACTERIZED THE RELATIONSHIP OUR TWO COUNTRIES HAVE HAD FOR MORE THAN A CENTURY. I LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU AND YOUR GOVERNMENT AS BOTH OUT COUNTRIES FACE THE CHALLENGES OF STRENGTHENING WORLD PEACE, THE INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC SYSTEM UPON WHICH THE LIVELIHOOK AND WELFARE OF SO MANY PEOPLE DEPENDS, AND THE CAUSE OF HUMAN JUSTICE AND LIBERTY TO WHICH BOTH OUR PEOPLES ARE SO PROFOUNDLY COMMITTED.

"SINCERELY, JIMMY CARTER." ALSTON LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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